# Influencing Tribal Communities Through Public Health Initiatives



Project Title	Influencing Tribal Communities Through Public Health Initiatives
Project Summary	Gain practical experience in a government setting; learn about organizational infrastructure; interact among a collaborative virtual team work environment; and develop effective management skills. Use graphic design for patient materials, websites, and sharing public health messaging.
Country	United States

#### **Project Description**

If you are looking to use your creativity and want to bring your ideas to develop communicational resources to our audiences and make a huge impact on public health, this is your place! An internship with the Division of Clinical & Community Services (DCCS) provides an opportunity to positively impact the lives of American Indians and Alaska Natives. The internship will provide interface time with the following focus areas: cancer prevention, elder health, emergency medical services, health education, health promotion and disease prevention, HIV and hepatitis C prevention and surveillance, men's health, and the pharmacy program. Although specific projects for the Public Health Student Volunteer will depend on initiatives within DCCS, the following list provides an idea of the scope and breadth of the student volunteer's work:

- Plan and coordinate meetings of public health experts, practitioners, and constituents;
- Shadow and conduct informational interviews with key IHS staff;
- Interact with IHS Public Affairs staff and assist in developing creative graphic designs and digital marketing materials for national initiatives/events and social media;
- Design educational materials for IHS patients, providers, and community members;
- Apply database management skills;
- Assist in planning, implementation and evaluation of IHS activities for World Autism Awareness Day and other national events; and
- Maintain social networking sites and increasing internet presence via DCCS webpages.

### **Required Skills or Interests**

Skill(s)
Cultural diplomacy
Data analysis

Data visualization
Design thinking
Editing and proofreading
Graphic design
Infographic design
Social media management
Speech writing
Storytelling/blogging/vlogging
Videography
Website design
Writing

### **Additional Information**

The Indian Health Service (IHS), is an operating division of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS). The Division of Clinical and Community Services (DCCS), is within the Office of Clinical and Preventive Services. For more information on OCPS and DCCS, please go to https://www.ihs.gov/ocps/.

# **Language Requirements**

None